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Flood mitigation will be slow

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Mitigating flooding in the village of Minden will be a long, drawn out process.

While that's not what residents wanted to hear, that was the overarching message during a post-flood public meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre on the evening of

More than 100 people attended the meeting, where they had the chance to ask officials, including those from the Trent Severn Waterway, the MNRF and Minden Hills township, about the flood that left the municipality in a state of emergency from May 6 to

Jewel Cunningham, director of Ontario Waterways for Parks Canada, the agency which oversees the Trent Severn Waterway, traced the impetus of this year's flood to a week of rainfall in late April and early May that saw nearly 129 millimetres of precipitation fall on the area. Average rainfall for the entire month of May is less than 100 millimetres.

At the time, the reservoir lakes north of Minden that are part of the feeder system for the Trent Severn Canal were already at or near capacity, leaving no storage room for the latest downpour.

"What we had to deal with this year, was a significant amount of rainfall," Cunningham said, showing graphs compiled from data Parks Canada collects from gauges throughout the waterway.



Bringing bluegrass to Minden

Haydee Grant of the Davis and Grant band is cast in stage lights at the seventh annual Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival on Friday, July 21 at the Minden see PROCESS page 2 | Fairgrounds. See more photos on page 10. /DARREN LUM Staff

Quarry application causes concern

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a July 20 meeting of Algonquin Highlands council.

Residents are concerned about an application to the province that would turn a pit into a quarry in the geographic township of McClintock, meaning that blasting and processing of rock would take place at the site.

"It's a big proposal," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt. "The package was just received by staff last week.'

Moffatt stressed that the township has no control over the application.

"We don't have the opportunity to vote yea or nay on it," she said. "It's provincial jurisdiction.'

According to public works director Mike Thomas, the operator would take some 285,000 tons of gravel from the site annually.

"That's a lot of gravel," Thomas said. "We want to support our local businesses, but the township has to protect its infrastructure,

The township will request that a pavement durability review be conducted for the township-owned road in the area, and that any necessary upgrading be performed, that load restrictions be put in place, etc.

Should the application be approved by the province, the township is also requesting that a noise study, blasting impact analysis and other documentation be incorporated into the certificate of approval.

Moffatt stressed that while the township can make requests, the province is not obliged

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Process will require three levels of government

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That rainfall followed two earlier precipitation events in April. The data also showed that most months of 2017 have far exceeded averages for precipitation levels and that May witnessed more than twice its average amount of rainfall.

At its peak, this year's flood saw the level of the Gull River through Minden five centimetres lower than the 2013 flood. While the 2013 flood was caused by rainfall coinciding with the spring freshet, this year's flood occurred after the snow had melted.

"Unfortunately, the TSW is really not designed to be an effective flood mitigation system," Cunningham said, emphasizing that when Mother Nature brings the amount of precipitation she did this spring, there is simply no room left in the system to store water.

The feeder system for the Trent Severn Canal was constructed more than a century ago, before the shores of the lakes and rivers of Haliburton County were dotted with

Cunningham pointed out there was not just flooding throughout the Trent Severn Waterway this spring, but in many parts of Ontario, including Ottawa and on the Great Lakes.

While staff at Parks Canada use precipitation averages and historical data as part of their decision-making process when it comes to water management operations, Cunningham admitted that climate change is altering the relevancy of that data, and that the agency has more to learn when it comes to its implications.

"There's always areas in which we can consider future improvement," she said. "Certainly, climate change is one of those."

A number of residents told Cunningham they thought too much water was stored in the reservoir lakes in Haliburton County and that stop logs at the dams throughout the system should be put in later in the year.

Minden resident Patricia Walshe referred to a report from engineering firm AECOM Canada that was commissioned following the 2013 flood.

That report, which cleared Parks Canada staff of any human error that may have led to the flood, included a number of recommendations for future operations.

"Their recommendation to you at that time, was that you have a much more advanced modelling system," Walshe said. "Have you done anything about the modelling system? Is there a new modelling system being put in?"

Cunningham responded that the TSW has had some work done on a water-flow modelling system.

"We are adding that to our toolbox in order to make better decisions," she said. "That is something we've commenced."

Cunningham said the system has not reached the scale of the recommendations in the AECOM report, and that there was some risk in making decisions based solely on digital modelling.

"It's really a difficult system to model, as well," she said

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Minden Hills Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin has said he'd like to see lidar mapping done throughout the area. Lidar mapping uses a laser-based system to produce very detailed topographical images. Any flood mitigation infrastructure projects in Minden – which he's stressed would require the co-operation of, and funding from, the provincial and federal levels of government - would be based on the lidar mapping.

"I definitely need willing partners at the provincial and federal levels," Devolin told the crowd.

Meetings between cabinet ministers and Devolin, along with Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott, are scheduled to take place at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference in Ottawa in August.

Provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Bill Mauro visited Minden during flooding in May and Devolin pointed out that Mauro is from Thunder Bay, a city that has had its own problems with major floods in recent years.

"He gets it," said Devolin, who's made it clear he expects to have some sort of agreement in place between the municipality and the provincial and federal levels of government regarding flood mitigation in the near future. "If we don't, I may be done in this business."

The municipality was recently approved for funding for a drainage study through the National Disaster Mitigation

Devolin, who himself lives in a flood-affected area, said he had neighbours who, this time around, took preventative measures on their properties. He said that perhaps residents should be looking at making alterations to their properties and that while everyone may not be able to afford that, hinted that perhaps some municipal assistance could be made available for such projects.

He also suggested that floodplain mapping and other such studies may lead to some results that residents may not like. In some flood-affected communities, Devolin used New Orleans as an example, properties deemed no longer suitable for human habitation have been expropriated by local

"We will identify properties that we may have . . . to expropriate," he said. "That's where this road may lead."

Some dams in Haliburton County are being replaced through millions of dollars in federal funding. Some \$500 million is being spent on the rehabilitation of TSW infrastructure, and some \$59 million of that is being spent in the

Devolin has credited a new dam at Kennisis Lake for holding back more water than the old dam would have and has indicated that when the dam at the foot of Gull Lake is replaced, it will have more flow capacity than the current dam.

The dam at Horseshoe Lake is currently reconstruction.

Cunningham said that modern winching systems on the new dams mean log operations can be completed quicker.

In all, water from 28 reservoir lakes makes it way through the singular channel of the Gull River as it passes through the village of Minden. Devolin also said at Tuesday's meeting that he believes at some point, that channel will have to be deepened and/or widened.

There was concern about raw sewage that was put into the Gull River during the flood, as the township's sewage treatment infrastructure was inundated with high levels.

Minden Hills environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram confirmed that while sewage had been bypassed into the river, it's a practice that is within the regulations of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.

"It's not a practice that we like to do, but it is a practice that is accepted by the MOECC," Ingram said. "And we have no choice."

"People need to be notified," Walshe told him, emphasizing that residents of the river were not aware of the sewage being put into its waters.

Ingram said that when the practice is undertaken, the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit is notified by the township.

"It is in my opinion, the health unit's job to do that [notify residents]," Ingram said. "We don't know who's downriver."

There seemed to be consensus among residents that the 2017 flood was better handled by the township than the 2013

Using an emergency plan that was approved by council in 2016, a municipal control group that included the reeve and deputy-reeve along with the township's senior staff, had daily conference calls with reps from the TSW, MNRF and other

Information from those meetings was relayed to the public via press releases on the township's website and through press conferences held throughout the time of the flood.

The township will also be making data and information from the meeting publicly available on its website and at the township administration office.

It was clear that action on flood mitigation is not coming quickly enough for many residents.

Barry Cray, who owns Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home with wife Kirsten Monk, told Devolin his business, located along Bobcaygeon Road near its intersection with Deep Bay Road, could not withstand another flood.

"In 2013, it cost me \$600,000 to get my place back in order, for a 100-year event," Cray said. This year, the damage was in the neighbourhood of \$250,000, although the business was able to get some help from its insurance company.

Cray said he must now build a berm on the property.

"Nobody here seems to want to be accountable," he said. "What are we going to do? Do the math. I cannot survive a third flood. I will be leaving town. . . We need some structural change within this town and we need it done now."

Devolin stressed that finding a solution to flooding in Minden would be a long, complicated process involving three levels of government.

"There is nobody on this earth who can wave a wand and make that happen," he said.

Resident Patrick Walshe said a common definition of insanity was doing the same thing over and over and over again, and expecting different results.

'We're hearing the same thing now we heard four years ago," Patrick said. "I'm sure everyone's doing their job."

He said what is required is political action.

"Where does the buck stop?" he said. "We can't keep coming back here and hear MNR say, we're doing our job and we're getting pretty good marks . . . I still to this day, don't know who's going to fix this. I really don't."

'You're right, it's a political decision," Devolin said. "It begins with a political dialogue. It's a joint responsibility. Nobody has the unilateral authority to deal with that. It's going to take all three [levels of government] dancing together."

MP Jamie Schmale was in attendance and also stressed that flood mitigation would require all three levels of government working together, which is time-consuming.

"These things take time . . . things are in process," Schmale said. "The problem is, government working together, it takes

The three-hour-long meeting was mediated by former Times owner and publisher Jack Brezina.

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Township will make requests of province

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to grant any of them.

We can request green eggs and ham and the ministry can say no," said Moffatt. "They can say no to anything anyone submits as public comment.'

Technically, the application does not conform to the township's zoning bylaw or official plan, but the Crown is exempt from having to abide by either.

"It renders us powerless to enforce our own planning regulations," Moffatt said.

The province is accepting public comments on the application.

"They'll get a tremendous amount of feedback, I suspect,"

Bridge repairs

The township will provide the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association with \$8,000 to assist with reconstruction work on the Beech Lake bridge, which the association owns.

The total project cost is approximately \$110,000 and the HCSA is applying for a grant through the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs. However, as a condition of that grant application, the HCSA must provide 15 per cent of the project cost, or approximately \$16,000.

The association sent correspondence to the township, requesting any assistance council was willing to offer.

Algonquin Highlands has a policy that the township does not give grants to organizations and in the past has provided in-kind assistance with bridge repair work.

"I'd like to help, but what I'm struggling with, is are we going to be asked to help in two years' time?" said Mayor Carol Moffatt. "Five years? 10 years?"

Councillor Marlene Kyle, herself a snowmobiler, pointed out there are two other snowmobile clubs operating in the township that do not ask the township for assistance. Kyle said the club she belongs to fundraises money for such projects.

"We're looking at this as a donation to a snowmobile club," said Councillor Brian Lynch. "I'm wondering if we can look at it as support to recreation in the municipality. I think this is a form of recreation that perhaps we have some responsibility to support."

Councillors agreed that snowmobiling has significant economic spinoff for the area.

Council agreed to provide \$8,000, half the amount the club would be responsible for providing

Satellite policy

The township will create a policy regarding the use of Dorset tower by telecommunications companies.

Councillors agreed to extend a lease agreement with Highlands Internet for a year.

"Rather than sort of cobble together the use of the tower . . . it's suggested that we go back a bit," said Mayor Carol Moffatt, indicating the township would create a plan governing the use of the tower and tower property by telecommunications companies. Xplornet has also expressed interest in housing equipment at

Expanding insurance

Algonquin Highlands will begin providing insurance for organizations that wish to use its facilities for fundraisers and other events.

"The township has the option of adding this coverage to its current policy for a slightly increased premium," parks, rec and trails manager Chris Card wrote in a report to council. "This coverage will allow low-risk rentals and events to be covered under the policy without user groups having to incur large additional insurance costs to host their events.

Most municipalities now require that organizations holding events on public property carry \$5 million worth of liability insurance.

"For some organizations, typically, they don't carry any insurance," Card said, adding that cost of providing insurance may cut into proceeds of fundraisers, or even render them unfeasible. "I'm looking to see if council is interested in pursuing this coverage."

They were interested.

"Small groups really struggle with money and insurance is a huge cost," said Councillor Marlene Kyle.

"I do believe we should be charging a nominal fee for it, though," said Deputy-mayor Liz Danielsen.

How much that fee might be will be discussed by councillors during an upcoming fee structure discussion.

Breaking ground on new fire hall

Members of Minden Hills council joined fire chief Doug Schell and representatives from Greystone Construction to break ground at the site of the new fire hall on Highway 35. Construction of the building is expected to take about seven months. **\ SUE TIFFIN** Staff



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For more information, visit www.redcross.ca/gethelp or call 1-800-863-6582.

Minden in bloom for visiting judges



Communities in Bloom judges Leo Ostner and Larry Parr joined Minden Hills township staff, councillors and volunteers on a tour of Minden last week to evaluate the town's floral displays, urban forestry, community involvement, tidiness, environmental effort, heritage preservation, landscaped areas, turf and groundcover. SUE TIFFIN Staff

Show branches into new territory

by ROBERT MACKENZIE

Times Staff

This year the Minden Flower Show is changing its name to the Minden Garden Show as it approaches its 38th annual showcase on Aug. 11.

Committee chair Michelle Lewis says they have changed the the show a bit this year to incorporate more tips for growing food in your gardens.

"We're trying to introduce how to grow vegetables and integrate that with the flowers," Lewis said.

The show, which is taking place as the horticultural society celebrates its 40th anniversary, is titled Garden Celebrations, more than just flowers.

The event will include a number of guest speakers, from Carolyn Langdon teaching edible uses of sumac to a talk on biodynamic gardening from Jean Tyler. There will also be contests, including a harvest festival and a junior competition that challenges children nine to 13 to make a moose out of vegetables.

Lewis says this year's show is a great chance "to get some gardening tips, gardening ideas and see what people are exhibiting from their gardens in Minden."

The show runs from 7 to 9 p.m. on August 11 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the 12th at the Minden Community Centre. Admission is \$7, free for children, and includes pie and refreshments. More info on the event can be found at www. mindenhorticulturalsociety.ca

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For the second year, Minden Hills is participating in the national Communities in Bloom (CIB) program, hoping to repeat the five out of five blooms score the town received last year.CIB judges Leo Ostner and Larry Parr were in town from July 19 to 21, with a packed tour designed to showcase Minden's pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement. Judges evaluate participating communities on eight criteria: tidiness, environmental action, heritage conservation, urban forestry, landscape, turf and ground covers, floral displays and community involvement.

"Right away you think of flowers and parks," said Ostner. "It's much more than just flowers and landscapes."

Stops on this year's itinerary included Snowdon Park, Lochlin Community Centre, Killara Station, Ingoldsby Church and Cemetery, Harrington Park, the Wild Water Preserve, Twelve Mile Beach and Cemetery, Beaverbrook golf course, Miners Bay Lodge, the Riverwalk, Village Green, cultural centre, Hyland Crest, Masonic Lodge and the food bank, Rotary Park, and the scenic lookout.

Judges were treated to meals, including breakfast at the Wild Swan Bed and Breakfast, and were also welcomed into personal properties of residents to see their gardens and landscaping.

Ostner noted the commitment of volunteers in association with the municipality as being an outstanding highlight of Minden's tour. Both judges said recent rainy weather patterns and flooding were taken into consideration when evaluating community efforts

The program offers a report from judges highlighting remarkable areas and those in need of improvement. Last year, Minden scored lowest in the urban forestry category. The local CIB committee also hoped to entice more business participation and awareness in the program.

"From our first glimpse of Minden Hills via the itinerary we knew we were in for an exciting visit," reads last year's report. "It is obvious that you have worked very hard to address all Communities in Bloom categories, showing and highlighting some very remarkable projects. And we were not disappointed.... It is the judges' hope that municipal leaders understand the connection between beautification and community pride with economic development."

"The CIB program is something that will continue to grow in Minden Hills and help build pride in our community," said Eric Casper, community services employee and CIB committee lead. "Being part of the CIB program helps us – municipal, business and private residents – focus our thoughts and energy into making Minden Hills an even better place to live, work and play."

The Communities in Bloom committee includes councillors Jeanne Anthon and Jean Neville, volunteers Susan Sheehan, Elinor Kernohan, Debra Tammi, Mary Jane Irwin, Molly's Bistro and township staff Mark Coleman and Casper. Casper also noted the many people included in the itinerary stops who welcome the judges.

Final reports and awards of the Communities in Bloom program will be announced on Sept. 9 this year in a symposium hosted by the municipality of Lambton Shores.



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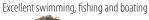


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Reporter

S HAS BEEN written in this space before, two major Minden floods in a four-year period have made it evident that flood mitigation infrastructure will be required in the village.

Think a deepening and/or widening of the channel of the Gull River.

Think flood walls in certain areas.

These are the types of projects that will require significant amounts of money and, unfortunately, significant amounts of time.

Years, not months, is the way Minden Hills Reeve

Brent Devolin put it during a lengthy postflood public meeting at the community centre last week.

Government moves slowly most of the time and since this particular situation involves overlapping jurisdiction and will require the municipal, provincial

and federal levels working in concert, it seems likely the process will move at near-glacial speed.

In the meantime, however, what can be done by the involved agencies to help mitigate flooding in Minden?

A few things.

It came up during last week's meeting that Parks Canada, the agency which operates the Trent Severn Waterway, of which the Gull River watershed is part, has not implemented a recommendation on modelling systems that came from a report done by engineering firm AECOM Canada.

AECOM conducted a third-party review of the 2013 flood and the subsequent report, which cleared Parks Canada staff of any error that may have caused the flood, contained a number of recommendations.

One of those recommendations was

that Parks Canada employ a more advanced modelling system. At last week's meeting, the rep from Parks Canada said that while some work had been done in that area, its modelling system is not up to the standard recommended in the report.

It makes one wonder what other recommendations from the report have not been acted upon, and demonstrates that improvements can be made at the federal level.

Haliburton County is unique in that it is one of few areas in the province

without a conservation authority. Among other functions, conservation authorities perform flood management.

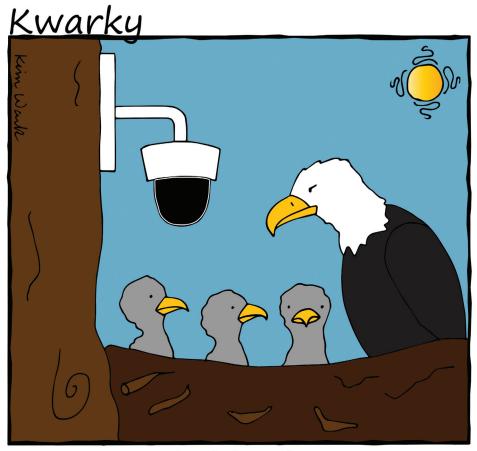
Haliburton County has joined forces with the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow to create a new organization called the Upper Trent Watershed Water Management Partnership,

which will act as a sort of de facto conservation authority. While still in fairly formative stages, hopefully its activities will result in better flood control in Minden.

At the township level, a gauge on the bridge in Minden's downtown allows for accurate measurement of water levels and staff know the magic number that indicates the village is in for a flood. Armed with this knowledge, more proactive measures could be taken before floodwaters overtake the streets.

Building a large berm of sandbags at the boat launch at Anson and Peck Streets, for example.

Flood mitigation infrastructure may be years away, but there are measures that can be taken in the more immediate future.



Big Bird Brother

Packing it in

S MUCH AS I hate to admit it, it is time for me to retire my old hunting pack. The camouflage is faded and outdated, the buckles are broken and worn, the straps are frayed and chewed up, the zipper gives way at the worst times and various holes are covered in duct tape and pine pitch. I could live with all those things, if it weren't for the gaping hole in the bottom of the main compartment.

On the plus side, I'm selling a funnel with straps, if anyone is interested.

The sad part is that pack has a lot of sentimental value attached to it.

To give you an idea of how long I have had it, I recall shelling out \$10 for it and getting change back, which, by the way, I just recently found in one of the many pockets it has.

That old pack had been serving me well for almost 30 years.

That's why I was so surprised to discover the prices of hunting packs these days. The price of the average backpack now rivals the price of my first car – and, coincidentally, it too had a hole in the bottom.

The good news is I'm now 55, so if I choose right, this will be the last pack I ever buy. That, of course, is also the bad news

There is an art to choosing a hunting pack that requires the wisdom gained from years of trying to get others to carry yours.

The first thing you need to know is that, in hunting packs, bigger is not better. It just holds more and is heavier.

And that is only good if you are giving

the pack away as a birthday gift to a person you regularly hunt with. Then, he or she will have no excuse not to carry your stuff.

If, on the other hand, you feel like you will have no choice but to carry the pack yourself, smaller is the way to go. The older you are, the smaller it should be, in fact.

I'm now looking for one that will just accommodate my wallet and car keys. I figure I'll keep all the other gear I take out in my jacket pocket and eat my lunch the

minute I arrive at my hunting grounds.

The problem with getting a bigger backpack, aside from having to carry it, is that it causes you to buy more stuff. For instance, if it has an outside pocket for a water bottle, you end up buying one just so you don't get asked if you lost your water bottle every time you run into another hunter. And if you have a water bottle,

you then have to fill it with water, because nothing makes you look like more of a rookie than starting up the trail with a full pack and an empty water bottle.

The water bottle is just a start. You need to fill whatever pack you carry with gear you once bought and hope to someday use. For some people, that means you fill that big pack with a portable stove, high-end cooking utensils, state of the art navigational gear, a solo tent, sleeping bag and all the accessories.

Maybe I'm getting older, but I'd rather fill that big pack with a much smaller one that holds with a sandwich, a candy bar, a few shells and a can of pop.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Our national critter

TF YOU SEE a beaver this summer, stop to give it a hug. The poor little guy or gal could use some affection, and some appreciation. If you don't want to Lget too close, just blow it a kiss.

The beaver, a Canadian symbol since the beginning of the country's exploration, is getting bad media these days. Also, it is being nudged from the spotlight by other woodland critter symbols, notably the loon and more recently the

I noticed a developing anti-beaver attitude just after Canada Day. Macleans. ca ran an odd little item about how beaver behaviour is appalling people across the country. It noted television reports of pet dogs being bitten by beavers in Edmonton. And, a beaver biting the hand of a woman on an Ottawa boardwalk.

Most seriously it repeated a Winnipeg Free Press report that beaver are "wreaking havoc in parts of Manitoba on a scale not seen in a lifetime." It gave no details of the havoc but noted that neighbouring Saskatchewan inaugurated a beaver-hunting derby because the critters were flooding fields, roads and chew-

The 2016 derby brought in 601 beavers weighing 23,684 pounds. The weightiest individual topped 83 pounds. Animal protection groups were not amused and there is no indication that another beaver killing derby was held this year.

Then I stumbled across a 2014 University of Saskatchewan study that says



JIM POLING SR. From Shaman's Rock

beaver are responsible for increasing greenhouse gas emissions. Increasing numbers of beaver dams, the study said, have created 42,000 square kilometres of new beaver ponds in Eurasia and the Americas.

Carbon-rich plants rot at the bottom of the ponds, which then release methane into the atmosphere. Methane is a greenhouse gas that absorbs the sun's heat, contributing greatly to global warming.

There are roughly 1.5 billion automobiles chuffing pollution into the atmosphere every day and some people now are blaming climate change on a few million beaver.

It is not just bad media, however, that is reducing the popularity of our industrious and cute national symbol. There is a campaign to get rid of the beaver's most important showplace – the nickel.

The beaver has been on the back of the Canadian nickel for almost 100 years. It appeared in 1922 and has been there ever since, except 1943-45 when it was replaced by the Second World War Victory Nickel.

The Royal Canadian Mint pulled the penny from circulation in 2013 and there has been talk since then that the nickel, with its trademark beaver on the reverse side, is next. The coin's value actually is less than what it costs to produce it.

The beaver's status sunk while other critters were being promoted. The caribou was placed on the back of our 25-cent piece decades ago and now the moose has appeared on a pure silver bullion coin.

Our one dollar paper buck was replaced by the loonie 30 years ago. The "buck," believed named for buck-toothed beaver, had been with us for 300-plus years – back to when The Hudson's Bay Co. put four beaver on its coat of arms and created the buck coin representing one beaver pelt.

Moose symbolism certainly appears to have pushed the beaver aside during this year's Canada 150 birthday celebrations. The moose seems to be everywhere – on ball caps, T-shirts, coffee cups and in plush toy form.

This year's usually wet weather has not boosted beaver popularity. Beaverblocked culverts and breached dams have caused some road damage and closures. The little guys seem to be having difficulty keeping up with dam maintenance.

A beaver dam has stood solid at the rear of our lake for more than 30 years. It is maybe 15 metres across and this spring I noticed one end was breached and recently there was no sign of it being repaired. I fear something has happened to

Whatever has happened to them, I am sure they will be back or replaced. There were an estimated 60 million beaver here when the first Europeans arrived.

We managed to bring the little critters close to extinction but the North American beaver population has rebounded to an estimated 10 to 15 million.

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letters to the editor

Enjoy art in Dorset

The weather may be wretched, the lakes bone-chilling and the bugs unrelenting this summer. Despite these inconveniences, there always will be art, beautiful art to enjoy. A rainy day can inspire an artist just as readily as a sunny one does. Many artists work indoors in their studios and those of us who work right out in nature are tough. We figured out long ago how to dress and cope with the vagaries in the weather of the Haliburton Highlands and the Muskoka Lakes. We just keep on painting, potting, sculpting, quilting and beading, rain or

On Saturday and Sunday, July 29 and 30, (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) you can visit the artists of Dorset during their annual Dorset Art Tour and see what they have been creating over the winter and spring. Take home a little piece of

Canada with you to inspire you and remind you of our strong Canadian artistic tradition and heritage: a piece of beadwork or pottery, jewellery, a Canadian quilt, an original painting, a wooden bowl, or a garden sculpture. You get to see lovely gardens along the way and the unique studio of five of the artists. Most importantly, you will get to meet the 12 artists and hear the stories behind their creations. While you are in Dorset, walk around our charming hamlet, have lunch, climb the Dorset tower, visit our award-winning museum or just sit on the public docks on Lake of Bays. You will be sure to be inspired.

Brochures are at the Dorset businesses and

Two of the studios are downtown Dorset. Look for the flower logo on the signs.

> Elizabeth Johnson Dorset

Protect yourself from Lyme disease

Lyme disease is an infectious disease spread through the bite of infected ticks. The risk of getting a tick bite starts when the weather warms up in the spring, through until the fall. Ticks can also be active in the winter, if the winter is mild and there is not much snow. However, the greatest risk occurs during the spring and summer months. Blacklegged ticks are most often found in forests as well as overgrown areas between woods and open spaces. Because tick populations are spreading, it is possible to be bitten outside of these locations. The greatest risk of acquiring Lyme disease occurs where populations of ticks that carry the bacteria (B. burgdorferi) that causes Lyme disease have become established. In Ontario, there are currently a number of identified risk areas for Lyme disease. The best way to protect against Lyme disease is to prevent tick bites. Here are some ways to protect yourself if you venture into wooded or forested areas within risk areas for Lyme disease:

 Wear light coloured, long-sleeved shirts and pants to spot ticks more easily. • Tuck your shirt into your pants, and pull your socks over your pant legs. Use bug spray containing DEET or Icaridin on your skin and clothing (always follow the directions on the label). · Walk on cleared paths or walkways. Shower or bathe within two hours of being outdoors to facilitate a prompt tick check and

to remove ticks that have not attached yet. Do a daily full-body check for ticks on yourself and your children, especially in the hair, under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs and around the waist. If you find an attached tick, remove it with tweezers immediately. Removing it within 24-36 hours can help prevent infection.

· Do a tick check on your outdoor gear and your pets as they could carry ticks inside your home. • Put dry outdoor clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill any remaining ticks. If your clothes are damp, additional drying time is needed. If you need to wash your clothes first, hot water is recommended. If the clothes cannot be washed in hot water, tumble dry on low heat for 90 minutes or high heat for 60 minutes.

Removing ticks within 24-36 hours after the tick bite usually prevents infection. You can remove a tick that has latched onto you by following these steps:

- 1. Using clean tweezers, grasp the head as close to the skin as possible and slowly pull straight out. Try not to twist or crush the tick.
- 2. If the mouthparts break off and remain in the skin, remove them with tweezers or, if you are unable to remove them easily, leave them alone and let the skin heal. Consult your healthcare provider. 3. Wash the bite area and your hands with soap and water or disinfect with alcohol hand sanitizer.
- 4. Try to save the tick that bit you in a sealed container and record the date of the bite. Bring it to your medical appointment as it may help the doctor in their assessment of your illness.
- 5. Ticks can be disposed of in household garbage once they are dead, and they can be killed by drowning them in rubbing alcohol or by freezing for several hours. Avoid squashing ticks with exposed fingers.
- 6. Don't try to remove the tick by using nail polish, petroleum jelly or heat to burn the tick.

Contact your local public health authority for details on the tick identification and testing program available in your area/how to submit a tick for testing. Symptoms of Lyme disease can be different from person to person. Early signs and symptoms of Lyme disease usually start three to 30 days after you have been bitten by an infected blacklegged tick. Most people experience mild, flu-like symptoms soon after being bitten, while a small number may have more serious symptoms, sometimes weeks after the bite. If left untreated, more severe symptoms may occur and can last from months to years. To learn more about Lyme disease or download free resources, visit: Canada.ca/ LymeDisease

- Submitted



Minden-based writer J.Michael Fay reads from his e-book Draft Dodger? at the Cottage Country Writers public reading held at the Minden Community Centre.

Writers tell diverse tales at public reading

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

The theme was Canada 150, but the seven writers sharing their works at the Tall Pine Tales public reading on July 19 all approached it differently.

Whether in style, form or by topic, the audience was treated to a variety of creative work at the fifth anniversary of the Cottage Country Writers summer reading event held in Minden at the community centre. Writers from Muskoka and Haliburton County shared stories of log drives, plumbing humour, a rescued chipmunk, training in the psych ward, time spent by the sea, a family saga and draft dodging. Each reading was different in its intensity or humour, but the audience took it all in, appreciating the time and care it took to create the work being read.

"I'm constantly in awe of writers," said the event's MC Mike Jaycock. "Of their creativity, commitment and incredible effort. We all have a book in us, but haven't mastered [the skill of] writing with intent and intensity."

Even the format of the work shared by local writers Jim Mitchell, Sharon Lawrence and J-Michael Fay, who all read during the Minden program, varied greatly from one another. Mitchell spent 14 years working on A Little Piece of Paradise: The History of Canning Lake, Lawrence's short story was recently published in Chicken Soup for the Soul: The Spirit of Canada and Fay's Draft Dodger? is a long form story available as an e-book.

They read alongside Murray Payne and David Bruce Patterson of Baysville and Catherine Thompson and Wendie Donabie of Bracebridge. At three other evenings, work from Muskoka writers as well as by local writers Margot Ziorjen, Marie Gage, Irene Davidson-Fisher, Sherry Rondeau and Jim Poling Sr. will be featured.

The evening honoured the legacy of Melody Richardson, a Huntsville writer who worked to encourage writers. Davidson-Fisher noted Richardson's drive for writers to stay motivated, take chances, keep writing and speak loudly.

"We did raise our voices, and we have been heard," said Davidson-Fisher, to end the evening. She congratulated writers on another year of writing. In Haliburton County, the Reading-Writing Connection meets twice per month – from 10 a.m. to noon at the Dysart library branch on the first Wednesday of each month, and at the same time at the Minden library branch on the third Wednesday of each month. For more details, contact Sharon Lawrence at srdlawrence@sympatico.ca

Tall Pine Tales is a series of public readings and will be held again on Aug. 9 at the St. Thomas Anglican Church in Bracebridge at 7 p.m., Aug. 16 at the Dwight Library in Dwight at 7 p.m. and on Aug. 23 at the Baysville Library in Baysville at 7 p.m.



Writers from Haliburton County and Muskoka had their books on offer at the Tall Pine Tales public reading held on July 19.

Moffatt becomes 'mayor' in AH

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

The title of the head of council in the Township of Algonquin Highlands is no longer "reeve," but "mayor."

Councillors had voted at their June meeting that a bylaw enacting the name change be drawn up and passed that bylaw during their meeting on Thursday, July 20.

Councillors agreed that "mayor" is a more modern, easily recognizable term than "reeve," which is a centuries' old

During last month's meeting, Councillor Marlene Kyle had suggested it would make more sense to enact the new title at the beginning of the next council term, which will be in late 2018, and also to discuss making the change in concert with the county's three other lower-tier townships, which also employ the traditional, rural title of "reeve."

"I'm still going back to my original thoughts on this," Kyle said. "I do have concerns with the timing. I do think we should do it at the beginning of the next term.'

Kyle also pointed out there would be a small, unbudgeted expense with the change, as business cards, letterheads, placards, etc. for the reeve and deputy-reeve will be changed to read "mayor" and "deputy-mayor."

"You already voted in favour of it," said now-Mayor Carol Moffatt, referring to the unanimous decision council had had made at its June meeting.

Deputy-mayor Liz Danielsen said to her, it was simply a

housekeeping matter and one that was not really the business of the other three lower-tier municipalities.

The concept of changing the title has been talked about at the Algonquin Highlands council table and at the table of the upper-tier Haliburton County council for a number of years.

"I personally felt it's something this council should do in advance of another council coming into place," Danielsen said, adding the county's other lower-tier councils knew the step Algonquin Highlands council was taking.

"To be very clear, this is not about me," said Moffatt, adding that Danielsen had requested the item be placed on the agenda. "It doesn't matter to me whether it happens today, or at the beginning of the next calendar year.'

Moffatt added that of the 13 municipalities that comprise the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, of which Haliburton County is part, 10 of them use the term "mayor."

A number of other small municipalities surrounding Haliburton County that once used the term "reeve" have also switched to "mayor" over time.

"It shouldn't be as big a deal as some people want to make it into," Moffatt said.

Danielsen said she'd gotten much public feedback on the change, almost all of it positive.

Other members of council were supportive.

"I feel like it's been a discussion the last two terms," said Councillor Lisa Barry. "Get on with it."

"Let's do it," said Councillor Brian Lynch.

The resolution was passed, with Kyle voting in opposition.

Controlling fall colours traffic

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands township will request that the Ministry of Transportation install "no parking" and "no stopping" signs along Highway 35 near the Dorset tower in an effort to reduce traffic congestion and associated safety concerns at the site during the busy fall colours season.

Some 10,000 vehicles travel to the attraction each fall for visitors to take in the vibrant foliage. However, the parking lot at the tower only accommodates 75 cars. This means vehicles are often parked along the sides of the

'There are too many people wandering around the highway," said Mayor Carol Moffatt. "It's a highway."

The council for Lake of Bays township in Muskoka recently requested the installation of "no parking" and "no stopping" signs in some of that township's problem areas, the latter of which will require a legislative amendment.

"They have traffic pressures and concerns all through Highway 60," Moffatt said. "MTO's got a little bit of homework to do."

Moffatt recently attended a chamber of commerce meeting in Muskoka regarding the problems associated with heavy fall traffic and said another meeting involving stakeholders such as Algonquin Park and Muskoka Tourism will take place before the fall.

No parking signage will allow the OPP to enforce no park-



Tag day

The Minden Health Care Auxiliary hit the streets on Friday, July 21, to raise funds for emergency room equipment. They were able to collect \$2,174 in a few hours! /Submitted

ing regulations along the stretch of highway.

"I have a request in with the OPP for paid duty police officers," said township parks, rec and trails manager Chris Card.

However, Moffatt noted that paid duty requires officers to sign up voluntarily, and that it hasn't always been successful in the past.

"There isn't the interest in signing up for paid duty," she

There is some private property near the tower available for the township to rent for parking. As for long-term solutions, Card suggested widening the road to the tower, to allow vehicles to park along it.



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An appreciative crowd applauds the Maple Hill band.



Lorraine Jordan sings at the annual Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival.



Kevin Golka of the Maple Hill band sings at the Bluegrass festival in Minden.



Belting out bluegrass

Pat Moore of the Maple Hill band sings at the seventh annual Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival on Friday, July 21 at the Minden Fairgrounds. The event was held from Thursday, July 20 to Sunday, July 23 and featured eight acts. This year the musical lineup also included Lorraine Jordan and Carolina Road, who came from North Carolina. Early estimates have shown there were close to 600 people who attended the event. /DARREN LUM Staff





The Davis and Grant band was one of the acts at the festival. Based in Port Perry, the group was formed in 2012 and released their first CD this year.





2017 Summer **Free Family Events** in Minden

Programs start at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 26

Heart & Stroke Big Bike Ride in Minden. Watch for the 30 seat Red Bike in Downtown starting at 5:00

Upcoming Events

Thurs. Aug 3 - Haliburton Highlands Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

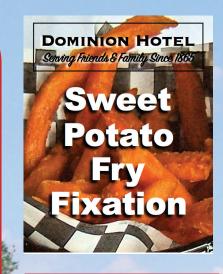
Wed. Aug 9 - Fire Fighters Open House with OPP and EMS

Wed. Aug 16 - Minden Merchant Sidewalk Sale During the Day

Thurs. August 17- Haliburton Highlands Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

Wed. August 23. Algonquin Outfitters with Kayaks on the Gull River. Meet opposite the Post Office on Invergordon Avenue

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KLPOA (Kushog Lake):

Kushog Lake Annual Picnic

Saturday, Aug. 5, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pine Spring Valley Resort, Hwy. 35 at Pine Springs (approximately 3.5 k north of Ox Narrows)Decorated boat contest sail past at 11 a.m., followed by water races/activities, and countless land events, including the infamous tug-o-war barbecue and refreshments!

Contact Susan Harvey at 705 489-2657

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Tuesday Aug. 15, HLCA Hall, 5041 Haliburton Lake Road Prizes and fun a can't miss event

2017 Drag and Spruce Lakes

Please check our website in case there are changes to times, locations or events. We still require trainees and

helpers for some events. Please call Barb (705-457-8864) if you can help. You will have training assistance, meet great people, and have lots of fun!

Ced Hurd Memorial Swim

Coordinator: Greg Platt 705 457-282 Location: Leinauer's Beach to Curry's Beach Date: Saturday, August 5th Registration: 9 am, Race Start: 10 a.m.

Novelty Swim Day Sat., August 5th Location: Podmore Beach Time 2:00 PM Coordinators: Kristen & Kylie Booth "Please bring your kayakś with you."

Fun Day and Hot Dog Barbecue Sunday, Aug. 6 Location: The Fish Hatchery, 6712 Gelert Rd Time: 2

p.m. Coordinator: Brian Hentschel 705 457-1022

(If rained out the alternate day is Monday, Aug. 7 at 11 à.m.)

Volunteers' Get Together Saturday, Aug. 12 at Noon Join us for a barbecue and some friendship. All volunteers are welcome and please bring your family.

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Sailing Regatta

Sunday, Aug. 6, 10:30 a.m.

Meet by the double orange markers in the big part of the lake, for an 11 a.m. start. All boats and skill levels are encouraged to come out for a friendly sail.

Ice Cream Float Day

Sunday, Aug. 13 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Watch for the "ice-cream boat" as it progresses around the lake. Arrive at the ice-cream boat in a craft without a motor and enjoy (till supplies are exhausted).

Photo Competition Submit pictures by email in digital (.jpg) format for judging to johncoll@sympatico.ca. Minimum 10 photos per entry. Include the photographer's name; age category – Children 8-13, Youth 14-18, Adult 19+; photography category – Nature

Scenes, Animals/Wildlife, Action Pictures; contact information and titles or descriptions of each image sent. All pictures must have been taken in our beautiful Canning Lake area and submissions must be received no later than Feb. 1, 2018 (via email). Winners will be featured in the spring issue of our Dock Talk newsletter and on the website. See page 10 of the Spring Newsletter.

Fred Jones Bass Award

June 12 – Sept. 4 (Labour Day)
Calling all "fisherfolk" of all ages. This competition is for the largest bass caught on Canning Lake from June 1 to Labour Day. To enter, you must take your fish to Ed

Brown (1188 Silverwood Road) to have your fish weighed and measured before you return it to the water. The prize of \$25 is open to all ages so get out there and get fishing. The big ones are waiting for you!

Around Our Lakes is provided by the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations. Be sure to catch Around Our Lakes on radio at 100.9 Canoe FM on Fridays in the 4 p.m. hour, Saturdays in the 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. hours and Sundays just after 3 p.m.



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August Moon to rise in Minden

by GEORGE FARRELL

Special to the Times

It's almost time for the Lantern Festival of the August Moon, an event that features handmade, illuminated Japanese paper lanterns floating down the Gull River at dusk. In my opinion it is the most beautiful event in the Highlands.

It's held annually in the afternoon and evening of the first full moon in August. The date this year is on Saturday, Aug. 5. The event has traditionally been lucky, weatherwise, and the full moon is usually seen to rise in the night sky at the moment when the lanterns are ready to head downstream.

The releasing of the lanterns is the culmination of the event, but there's lots happening before that poignant, yet joyous occasion. First, a little background. The Festival of the tic and you share your stories." I might add

August Moon is an ancient Japanese ritual that it also teaches us, young ones especially, that celebrates and honours friends and ancestors who have passed away. The floating lanterns represent the crossing of souls to the

"I've been doing this for seven years now," said festival founder Marc Shroetter, who works with a committee to facilitate the successful operation of the multi-layered event. "I was originally approached by Make it Minden to come up with a concept that would take advantage of the river, the Riverwalk and the Logger's Bridge.'

The reason Shroetter chose the lantern festival concept was because "in the western world we don't have enough appropriate ways of honouring our loved ones and friends who are no longer with us, and this type of ritual helps in connecting people who have had the same experiences. It's catharabout another culture.

Before the lanterns can be floated, they first have to be made, and the making and painting of them is just one of the many activities that take place on the lawn of the riverside Wild Swan B&B, adjacent to the Logger's Crossing Bridge. Lantern-making is from 4 to 7 p.m. There is a \$5 charge for the materials for making the lanterns, but you can also make and decorate your own mask for \$5 or a fan for \$3. Many activities are free; such as Japanese children's games, folk tales and face painting. There is also a demonstration of Sumi-e the Asian black ink and brush painting technique. There is a tea ceremony, Japanese food, Japanese dancing as well as tai chi and karate demonstrations. All this takes place from 4 p.m. until about 7:30 p.m.

Then it's time to gather all the lanterns and cross the Logger's Crossing Bridge to the other side of the river, where, just before sunset (approximately 8:30), the lanterns are lit, illuminated by tea-lights, and are floated, on their beds of foam, to be taken downstream by the current. It's a totally beautiful and captivating sight, and people keep pace with the lanterns by walking parallel with them along the Riverwalk, to the town docks, where kayakers harness the lanterns for pick-up by their makers.

The event takes place on Saturday Aug. 5, starting at 4 p.m. on the grounds of the Wild Swan B&B, 65 Invergordon Avenue in Minden. For more information call Kay Millard: 705-286-6635, or email Kay at kathleenmillard61@sympatico.ca or go online to lanternfestival.homestead.com





COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday, August 14th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, this Application for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-044/16

Applicant: George Coutsothanassis

Location of the Property: Pt Lot 14, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, Now in the Township of Minden Hills

Nature of the Application: Easement for right-of-way

2. File No. H-045/16

Applicant: George Coutsothanassis

Location of the Property: Pt Lot 14, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, Now in the Township of Minden Hills

Nature of the Application: Easement for right-of-way

3. File No. H-046/16

Applicant: George Coutsothanassis

Location of the Property: Pt Lot 14, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, Now in the Township of Minden Hills

Nature of the Application: Easement for right-of-way

4. File No. H-025/17

Applicant: Ivan & Brenda Doiron

Location of the Property: Pt Lot 16, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden,

Now in the Township of Minden Hills

Nature of the Application: Creation of a New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 27th day of July, 2017.

Lisa Gillan Secretary-Treasurer Haliburton County Land Division Committee 11 Newcastle Street P. O. Box 399 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 Telephone: (705) 286-1333 or 1-866-886-8815, Ext. 248 Fax: (705) 286-4829 E-mail: lgillan@county.haliburton.on.ca







The Township of Minden Hills and the **Township of Algonquin Highlands**

NOTICE TO ALL RATEPAYERS



2017 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS

For the Ratepayers of the **Township of Minden Hills** will be held on the following dates at the

Scotch Line Landfill Site 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

> August 5 September 2 October 7

For the Ratepayers of the TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS For further information, please call: (705) 286-1260 Ext 216

For the Ratepayers of the **Township of Algonquin Highlands** will be held on the following dates at the following respective locations from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

August 5 September 2 October 7

Oxtongue Lake Landfill **Dorset Transfer Station** Maple Lake Landfill

For the Ratepayers of the TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS For further information, please call: (705) 489-2379

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UNACCEPTABLE WASTE CLASSES

Industrial waste; needles/sharps; PCBs; radioactives; pathological waste



Cross-Canada ride for the children

by DARREN LUM

Times Staff

The epic scale of the Sears National Kids Cancer Ride is only matched by the lifetime of challenges that face children with cancer during treatment and long after.

The National Kids Cancer Ride begins in Vancouver on Sept. 6 and will finish in Halifax 17 days later on Sept. 23. The Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation has held this fundraising ride for 10 years and it is one of the biggest charity cycling events to fight childhood cancer in the world. It helps with funding research and programming to help children.

Long-time cottagers on Bat Lake and avid cyclists Steve and Kelly Hawkins are preparing to participate in this supported ride with a group of other cyclists. This is Kelly's third ride (she rode in 2013 and 2015) and she has been helping her husband with his first attempt.

They have spent the past two weeks in the area riding and accumulating the necessary miles, averaging close to 400 kilometres a week. The Highlands is the ideal training ground for the most difficult days in the saddle, Kelly said.

Kelly has ridden in honour of children with cancer in her other years, but this year's ride is to commemorate Steve's late cousin Karen Hawkins, who died from cancer-related complications at 44 in 2005. Karen was seven when she was diagnosed with retroperitoneal sarcoma - rare cancer that attacks muscle, bone, nerves, cartilage, tendons and blood vessels. The treatments that saved her life also left her with one functioning kidney, compromised lungs, a thoracic cavity that never developed to synchronize with her body, osteoporosis and many other health challenges.

"Effectively, the treatment that enabled her to thrive through adolescence eventually caused her health to severely decline as an adult," an online passage by Steve and Kelly reads.

Steve said he spent many summers cottaging with Karen and her family on Bat Lake. The family cottages were built by their dads with the help of their great uncle Cecil Barry.

The Hawkins will be in one of three groups, totalling 40 riders, who are riding across the country. They will be a part of the largest group that will be averaging 160 kilometres a day while the second smaller group will be faster, averaging 220 kilometres a day. In honour of the 10th anniversary there will also be a chase group of eight, who will ride in a relay, alternating to travel all day and night, reaching up to 720 kilometres a day following behind. They are expected to cross the country in eight days and catch the other 36 riders in Lower Sackville, New Brunswick, the last stop before the end. This group includes Coast to Coast founder Jeff Rushton, who is a former RAAM (Ride Across America) record holder.

The ride for Kelly and Steve depends on planning and a large team of volunteers who are with them and who are preparing for their arrival at different places along the way. Stops include Sears department stores for starts and finishes to ride days as well as community centres. Each day begins at 5:30 a.m. and each ride starts with a dedication. It reminds the riders like Kelly of why they ride and that no matter how challenging a day has been it pales in comparison to what children with cancer face.

"Our worst day on the bike is the best day of cancer treatment," she said.

The team sleeps in the back of a transport truck. During the ride, they're followed by a recreational vehicle, a support vehicle with a nurse and mechanic to help in case of medical or mechanical issues. The train of riders will stop for food and snacks every few hours usually ending close to 6 p.m., depending on weather. They never ride in the dark.

Getting to see parts of the country from the bike has opened Kelly's eyes to the beauty of what it has to offer. There is great satisfaction and an inspiration from seeing familiar faces of family along the way, which Steve is looking forward to on his first ride.

Kelly wasn't certain there was going to be a third ride, but when her husband ex-



Bat Lake cottaging couple Kelly and Steve Hawkins are riding in the Sears National Cancer Ride, which begins in Vancouver on Sept. 6 and will finish in Halifax 17 days later on Sept. 23. The Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation has held this fundraising ride for 10 years and helps fund research and programming. This ride is dedicated to Karen Hawkins, Steve's cousin, who died because of complications related to the cancer treatments years before./ **DARREN LUM Staff**

pressed a desire to ride this year she was compelled to participate. She said knowing what's in store is both an advantage and a disadvantage.

When it comes to the challenges of riding across Canada, besides the inclement weather, the physical test is riding through Northern Ontario, Kelly said. There is relentless nature of the terrain with ascents and descents, often in poor weather, which is far more difficult than the gradual ascent into the mountains of Alberta. Added to Ontario is the emotional aspect of visiting Terry Fox's monument. The group will spend six days of the 17 total in Northern

The last time Kelly rode she remembers how a cancer survivor in the group encouraged the riders and reminded them of the

importance of their ride during the most difficult days.

"Guys, there are kids in the hospital who are hurting 10 times worse than you. We're supposed to be doing this to inspire people that you can make it through stuff. So get on your bike," Kelly recalls the young woman saying.

Kelly will have raised more than \$200,000 and rode more than 10,000 kilometres after this coming ride in September. Together the Hawkins are working to raise \$100,000. Up to now the couple has raised almost \$63,000 from 89 sponsors. To contribute, go to nationalkidscancerride.com. click on "2017 national riders" and scroll to Kelly and Steve Hawkins.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills owns and operates the following active cemeteries under LICENCE #: 3274058:

- Minden Cemetery located at 200 Bobcaygeon Road
- 12 Mile Cemetery located at 1112 Chambers Road
- Bethel Cemetery located 1162 Bethel Road
- Gelert Cemetery located at 1052 Cemetery Road

The Township will be submitting proposed amendments to By-law # 12-46 that will standardize the Township's Cemetery By-law in accordance with Provincial Legislation, including, but not limited to the sale of interment rights, transfer of interment rights and various other regulations as recommended by the Cemetery Board, to the Registrar of the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services

Any interested parties may contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, 705-286-1936 or email mcoleman@mindenhills.ca for information or to make copies.

This by-law and amendments may be reviewed at the Municipal Office, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON K0M 2K0 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. The proposed Cemetery by-law will also be available on the Municipal website: www.mindenhills.ca

These By-laws are subject to the approval of the Registrar, Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002. Telephone Bereavement Authority of Ontario,

1-844-493-6356 or email info@thebao.ca.

Events

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Evening melodies

The Country Hot Flashes and the Uptown Country bands perform for the audience at EvenSong held on Friday, July 21 at the Twelve Mile Lake Historical Church. Organized by the Friends of the Twelve Mile Lake Historical Church, the event included a raffle and helped to fundraise to preserve the heritage church./DARREN LUM Staff





PRESENTS





RE-GENERATION: A HALIBURTON TALE

By Michael Clipperton

Saturday, July 29th @ 7pm Sunday, July 30th @ 2pm
On the grounds of the Haliburton Highlands Museum.

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Haliburton Highlands Museum (705) 457-2760 Masters Bookstore, Haliburton Sassy Digs, Minden

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A young listener applauds the music performed by the Country Hot Flashes and the Uptown Country bands.

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The Times

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Highlights

County to face off with minister

Sewer line

Although the funding won't be available this year, the planned sewer line extension to resorts on Lake Kashagawigamog isn't a write-off, says the Victoria-Haliburton MPP. However, resort owners are tired of waiting and say the lake pollution is growing with each delay.

Please see page 2

Barefoot skiing

Barefoot skiing is growing in popularity right across the country, but there's no better place to learn the sport than right here in Haliburton County. Please see pages 6 and

New home

After months of searching, CHACE Place in Minden will finally be able to get a new permanent home with the help of a substantial provincial grant that was announced last week. Please see page 11.

Shining example

The village of Minden is a shining example to the rest of the country of how a community should band together to combat racism in our society. So says Lorne Shipman, National Project Coordinator for B'Nai

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

County Counci is meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs this week to discuss the implications of the province's plan to restructure county govern-

John Eakins, Minister of Municipal Affairs and MPP for Victoria-Haliburton, is meeting with the councillors tomorrow (Tuesday) to hear their concerns about the proposed restructuring.

report prepared by a consultation committee which its recommendations. recommended ways to strengthen the county government system. At that time, Eakins asked for local govern-

In January of this year, ments, both at the county the ministry released a and municipal level, to respond to the report and

One of the recommendations which could have the greatest effect on Haliburton County suggests that

imum population of 4,000 people in order to effectively provide services. Of Haliburton's 10 municipalities, only Dysart et al comes

(more on page 10)



One of the many attractions at the Stanhope Fun Day on Saturday was pioneer living. A meal was cooked on an open fire to the delight of the many visitors.

Hospital hopes are fading but Eakins still optimistic

Hopes are rapidly fading for the Ministry of Health's funding for the addition of the much-needed 18 chronic care beds at the Haliburton Hospital, but Victoria-Haliburton MPP John Eakins suggests it's not yet time to give up.

The provincial government is still concerned that Haliburton's health care needs be met and says he is optimistic they will be met. He said he is working to get Health Minister Elinor Caplan up to the county in the very near future to talk about Haliburton's needs. He specifically mentioned the chronic care beds as well as other measures of preventative

and Mail sparked new speculation that cox. "Looking down the road, you wonder the planned expansion to the Haliburton Hospital would be scuttled. The Globe

reported that the ministry's 1986 pledge to spend \$850 million to create 4,400 new hospital beds across the province has "been overtaken by fresh thinking." Instead of the additional beds, the Globe reports, the ministry is reconsidering its approach toward placing old people in institutions.

Responding to the report in the Globe, Helen Wilcox, chairman of the board of St. Joseph's Hospital, said she is disheartened by the news. "I really worry about what will happen to the patients."

With more and more seniors moving to the Highlands each year to spend their retirement years, the need for new beds here is continually increasing, said Wil-

More on page 16.

Cabinet shuffle is not a worry for John Eakins

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

Victoria-Haliburton's MPP is not concerned about recent speculation that he may soon lose his Cabinet position as Minister of Municipal Affairs.

A report in Wednesday's Toronto Star says Ontario Premier David Peterson is expected to announce a cabinet shuffle by mid-August and according to sources John Eakins may be relieved of his cabinet

Eakins told *The Times* that he doesn't know what Peterson has in mind, but a cabinet shuffle would be a great opportunity to get other members of the Liberal

He said he wouldn't be disappointed if replaced and said introducing other people into the Cabinet would

Eakins has been the Minister of Municipal Affairs for the past two years and prior to that he served two years as Minister of Tourism and Recreation. He says he's proud of his record during the four years he served in Cabinet and points to some of his accomplishments.

While he was Minister of Tourism and Recreation, Eakins said he created some of the best initiatves that portfolio has developed and was supported by the people in Haliburton.

As Minister of Municipal Affairs, Eakins says he's overseen the "greatest reforms in the history" of that ministry, especially the current reform of county government, "I'm delighted that my objectives are being accomplished," Eakins says.

Cabinet responsibilties are very time consuming, says Eakins, and as Minister of Municipal Affairs he has a very demanding schedule. He admitted there are moments when he wished he had more time for other

According to the Star, Eakins represents the Liberal old guard who were rewarded with Cabinet positions in appreciation of their service during the long Progressive Conservative reign under Premier Bill Davis. But Eakins says a cabinet shuffle doesn't necessarily mean he's on his way out of Queen's Park.

The next provincial election is slated for 1991, and Eakins says he hasn't made up his mind whether he will run again or not. He says if he is removed from cabinet it will not necessarily influence his decision one way or

Eakins has been Victoria-Haliburton's MPP since 1975 when he defeated Conservative Glen Hodgson.

The Star's sources also indicate that Minister of Natural Resources Vince Kerrio will be removed from Cabinet. Kerrio recently became involved in Haliburton's water levels issue and is considered an ally in the effort to construct addition reservoir capacity.

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UPCOMING

Community **Events**

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust "Tee Up for the Trust" Golf Tournament

When: Thursday July 27

Where: Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre This fundraiser for the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust will be a fun filled event! Admission includes a light lunch, dinner, prizes, auctions, golf cart. Four person scramble format with shotgun start at 12:30. Please register online at haliburtonlandtrust.ca before June 30 for earlybird pricing!

Attracting Birds to your Back Yard

When: Aug 1, 2017, 7pm-9pm

Where: Minden Community Centre

The Minden and District Horticultural Society welcomes special guest, Brenda Ibey from the Avant-Garden Shop in Peterborough. Brenda will speaking about how to select the right food and feeders to attract specific birds to your

Contact: mindenhorticulturalsociety.ca

Community Yard Sale - Hunter Creek Estates (5 mins. South of Minden, off Hwy 35)

When: Sat. Aug. 5th, 8am to 12pm

Watch for the signs

7th Annual Lantern Festival of the August Moon

When: AUGUST 5, 4PM

Where: On the grounds of the Wild Swan Bed and

Breakfast

65 Invergordon, Minden

Kinmount Seniors Club Yard Sale

When: Saturday August 5, 2017, 9:00 a.m.-2:00p.m.

Where: behind Kinmount Railway Station

Penny raffle, Bake Table, Vendors

Sizzlin' Summer Service 10 in the Park, Presented by The Church in Haliburton

When: Sunday, August 6 at 10:30 a.m. Where: Head Lake Park, Haliburton

Casual and contemporary live music by performers from

Haliburton churches

Bring a lawn chair or blanket

Donations to 4Cs Heating Fund

Everyone welcome!

Rain location - Lakeside Baptist Church

Sponsored by the Haliburton Ministerial Association Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, August 9, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205

Garden Celebrations ... more than just flowers

When: August 11, 7-9pm, August 12, 10am-4pm

Where: Minden Community Centre

The Minden and District Horticultural Society welcomes you to join us at our annual Garden Show. This year's theme is Garden Celebrations ... more than just flowers. Join us in celebrating Canada's 150th. Visit our land of flowers, specimens, decoratives, collections, potted plants and vegetables, featured along with photography and our junior entries.

Contact: mindenhorticulturalsociety.ca

Kinmount Family Funfest

When: Sat. Aug. 12, 2017

4 pm – 9 pm

Free Downtown Street Party!

HALIBURTON COUNTY: S.T.O.P. (Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients) Program

When: Wednesday, August 16.

STOP Programsupports smokers trying to quit by providing them with five weeks of nicotine patches at no cost. Smokers will also get educational material and other resources to help them in the quitting process. To see if you are eligible, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577.

ANNUAL Decoration Day Services, Gelert Cemetery

When: AUGUST 20, 2017 at 3:00 pm

Please bring lawn chairs

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, August 23, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

No excuse for littering

DorsetNews

burgesslt@me.com

Come to the Dwight Community Centre on Saturday Aug. 26 for a roast beef dinner with homemade pie. There will be continuous servings between 5 to 7 p.m., adults are \$18 and children 12 and under are \$9. Tickets are available at the door and proceeds to go Lake of Bays United Churches including Knox United Church in Dorset.

This weekend is the Dorset Art Tour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 11a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Brochures can be found at various businesses in Dorset. Be sure to check out as many of the stops as you can and see what our local artists have been up to. Search Dorset Art Tour on Facebook for more information.

Earth Day may be long over, but that doesn't mean we should stop doing our part. You've probably noticed the garbage along Kawagama Lake Road and Livingstone Lake Road, as well as smaller back roads. I hear people ask every day where they can find a garbage can in town and when they don't like the answer, they leave their trash out in front of local businesses for them to deal with. There are actually five metal garbage bins scattered throughout Dorset, including the Parkette (by the washrooms), the town docks (by the gazebo), upper parking lot at Robinson's, the Pavilion and at the new Centennial Park (over by the skating rink). The bins are located far enough away that should bears come around, they won't bother us. Of course these bins are not to be used instead of going to the dump, because they only hold so much. Don't forget to check your dump card or the township websites for current dump hours.





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You've probably also noticed the red box in the upper parking lot at Robinson's and thought it was a garbage bin. It's actually a drop box for Diabetes Canada (formerly the Canadian Diabetes Association). There are more than 3,000 Diabetes Canada drop boxes located in communities throughout Canada for donations of reusable clothing and cloth items.

Happy Birthday to Alex Hamilton. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.

Health unit offering smoking cessation program

take a holiday from tobacco? After all, help is close to home this August.

Smokers in Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes have opportunities in August to attend no-cost, quitsmoking workshops being offered in each of their communities. The Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients (STOP) Program provides smokers with five weeks of free nicotine patches, as well as educational material and other resources to help them quit.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is partnering with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) to bring the STOP Program to the following locations:

- In the City of Kawartha Lakes on Wednesday, Aug. 2.
- In Haliburton County on Wednesday, Aug. 16.

To see if they quality for STOP, people can call the health unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2240.

"If you want to take a holiday this summer, why not take one from tobacco?" says Karen Taylor, a public health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Attending a STOP Program in your area in August is a great way to help you get on the road to tobacco-free living.'

Research shows that the use of patches and other nicotine replacement therapy can greatly improve the chances of people becoming smoke-free. "Nicotine patches are very effective, but can be expensive for some people," Taylor notes. "The fact that patches are free through the STOP Program is just another reason to call to see if you qualify for them."

If area residents are unable to attend the STOP Programs in August, the health unit will again be offering sessions this fall in Kinmount, the City of Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland County. People can find out more details about upcoming STOP Program dates and locations by calling the Health Unit or visiting www.hkpr.on.ca.

Since its inception in 2005, the STOP Program has provided free smoking cessation medication and counselling support to thousands of Ontarians who wanted to quit smoking.





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A Service to Celebrate Audrey's Life will be held at the St. Paul's Anglican

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